

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 07-05-31**

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For Work Week Commencing: May 28, 2007
Commission Meeting: May 31, 2007, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://www.psc.mt.gov>.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. Federal Communications Commission CC 96-45, WC 05-337 – The FCC issued on May 14, 2007 a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) in which it

seeks comments on the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service recommendation to impose an interim emergency cap on the amount of support that competitive eligible telecommunications carriers receive – To discuss filing comments. (05/31/07)

2. D2006.6.94 – NorthWestern Energy – 2006 Qualifying Facility/Avoided Cost – Discussion, direction, action on the motions related to discovery, other matters as necessary. (05/31/07)
3. D2007.5.53 – NorthWestern Energy – Application to set BPA Residential Exchange program rate credit to \$0.000 – To Consider and act on Application on an interim basis. (05/31/07)
4. Order 890 Final Rule – To inform Commission on the provisions of the Federal Regulatory Energy Commission's (FERC) Order 890 that seeks to prevent undue discrimination and preference in electricity transmission. (05/31/07)
5. Agency electronic filing system – Status update and general discussion. (05/31/07)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

Wednesday May 30, 1:30 p.m. – Informational briefing re: NorthWestern Energy's planning for acquiring regulating reserves and report on any activities toward that end. (05/30/07) (Bollinger Room)

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at

<http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

Qwest Corporation N2007.5.54 (Gary)

On May 23, 2007 Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed for Commission approval a Multi-State Agreement (MSA) between Qwest and CC Services, Inc. and an associated amendment #1. Qwest is filing the MSA and amendment with the Commission for approval pursuant to Section 2.18 (Large Business Customers With a Multi-State Presence) of its Exchange and Network Service Tariff, and pursuant to the Commission's April 16, 2004 Notice of Commission Action (NCA) in Docket N2003.10.149. Also pursuant to the NCA, Qwest filed proprietary cost information. The MSA is the result of Qwest's response to a request for bid from CC Services. The services being purchased are business services and packages sold under the Qwest Line Volume Advantage program. These services are available from other competitive carriers in addition to Qwest.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. The Commission will rule on the requests no earlier than 10 days after the publication date of this agenda. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Any person wanting a copy of a protective order request should contact the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be obtained by calling the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2007.5.51 – 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc, and MTPCS, LLC – Application for approval of reciprocal transport and termination agreement.
D2007.5.52 – Project Telephone Company, Inc. and Gold Creek Cellular of Montana Limited Partnership dba Verizon Wireless – Application for approval of wireless interconnection/compensation agreement.
D2007.5.53 – NorthWestern Energy – Bonneville Power Administration – Suspend residential exchange program – Customer revenue credit.

D2007.5.54 – Qwest Corporation and CC Service, Inc. – Qwest line volume advantage agreement and amendment No. 1.